



PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 03495.0301

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Ali AMARA et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1648  
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Application No.: 10/700,507 ) Examiner: Stacy Brown CHEN  
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Filed: November 5, 2003 )  
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For: COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING ) Confirmation No.: 6288  
DC-SIGN BLOCKERS AND )  
METHODS OF USING DC-SIGN )  
BLOCKERS FOR PREVENTING )  
OR TREATING DISEASES OF A )  
MAMMAL, INCLUDING VIRAL )  
INFECTIONS )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of December 28, 2004. A fee of \$120.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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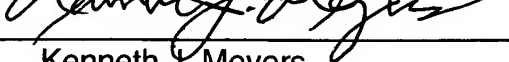
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Respectfully submitted,

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